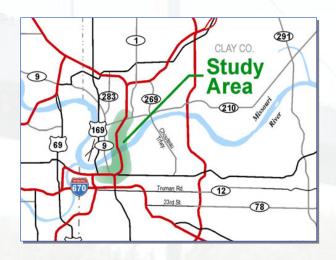
Why are improvements to I-29/I-35 needed?





To reduce congestion and improve safety.

- Congestion increases travel time, fuel costs and pollution.
- The number of crashes in this corridor is increasing.
 Additional traffic, without increased capacity, creates the potential for more crashes.
- Insufficient shoulders create problems. Narrow shoulders (or no shoulder at all) mean that a simple flat tire at the wrong time and place can create a major traffic jam.
- Entering and exiting can be difficult. Many of the existing interchange ramps are too short or too close together to meet modern design standards, which adds to congestion and safety concerns.

